PBCC EMERITUS FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

April 2006 **Joan Young, Editor**

(l-r) Bill Wilson, Kathleen Asher, Banna Ghioto, Joyce Bussell, Bill Boorman

A message from your President

...Bill Wilson

The Holiday Party held in December at the Atlantis Country Club is becoming quite a pleasant tradition. Last December 1 some 46 members and their guests assembled there to enjoy the company of friends and colleagues, have good food and drink, and receive some great gifts. Ruth Graham again agreed to play Christmas songs for our musical pleasure. She graciously played before, during, and after the festivities! This time the Club honored us by setting us up in the main dining room. Mark your calendars for the next holiday event – December 8, 2006!

The October 2005 meeting was well attended. Joe Schneider presented a very informative message on understanding the new Medicare Part D program, which we all appreciated. For the second meeting in a row, the drawing for an Atlantis Country Club $50.00 dinner certificate was won by a new retiree – Phil Millard. (It was won by a new retiree at our last meeting, too – Frank Littler.)

If you have not been on a PBCC campus lately, you would be quite impressed if you did so at the building, renovation, and changes you would see. If you remember the "old days" (ours), there were not even telephones in faculty offices. Today, not only does every office have a phone but a computer and printer as well. In fact, computers on campus are ubiquitous. Come to our next meeting and take some time to tour the campus and see for yourself.

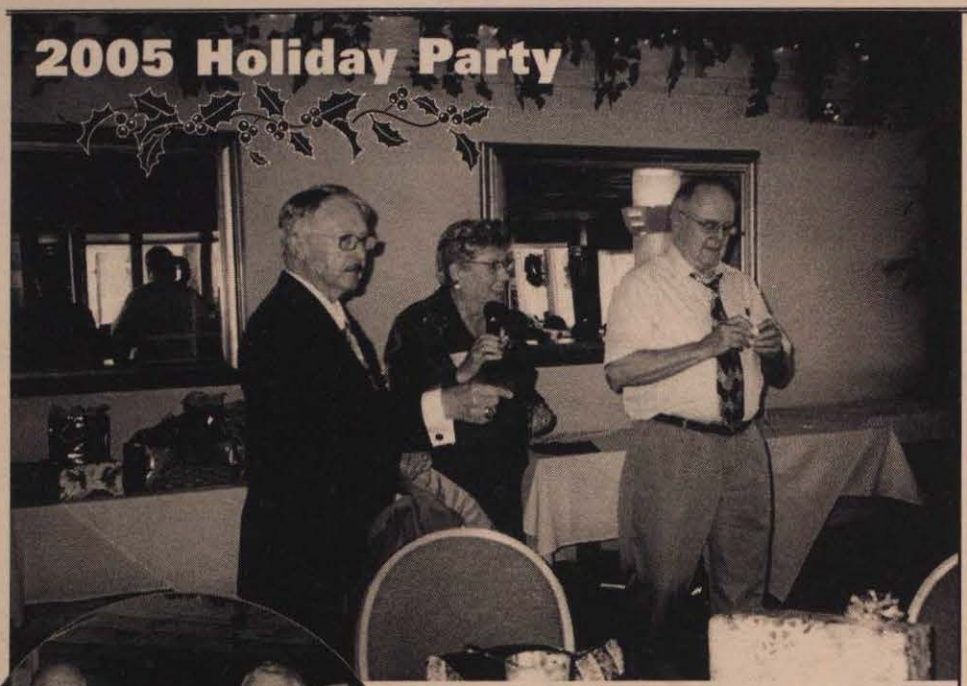
Speaking of the next meeting, it is scheduled for Friday, May 5, 2006, in the Faculty Dining Room of the Lake Worth Campus at 11:00 AM.

Officers for the coming year will be elected then. If you are interested in any of the offices or committees, let me know. I hope you are all well and enjoying the pre-hurricane calm.

See you May 5!

Paul & Ruth Graham

2005 Holiday Party



Above: (l-r) Bill Wilson, Kathleen Asher, Bill Boorman

Above: (l-r) Sy Prryweller, Joanne Kelley, Bill Wilson

Below: (l-r) Letha Madge Royce & Rosalie Morrissey

Photos courtesy of Rosalie Morrissey

Below: (l-r) Hugh Albee, Bill Wilson, Henry Petraki, Sy Prryweller

Above: (l-r) Joan Young, Joyce Bussell, Bill Boorman

News of members

Photos courtesy of family

Banna Isabel Ghioto of Lake Clarke Shores at 88.

Banna Isabel Ghioto, who was a colonel in the U.S. Army Nurses Corps, shown at age 24 as a newly commissioned nurse.

On Sundays, The Palm Beach Post has been running a series of readers' firsthand accounts of World War II. **Banna Ghioto's** account wrote of her memories of service in the U.S. Army Nurses Corps "in a M.A.S.H. hospital in Iceland, receiving casualties from Europe for two years before receiving orders for New Guinea and then Luzon, Phillippines, where the port was obstructed with so many sunken ships that we had to take lifeboats ashore."

The Bussells, Joyce and Jan have been very active, as always. In 2005 they took a 14-day cruise from San Diego to the Hawaiian Islands; purchased a summer home in Tennessee, where Joyce resided from July through October and to which Jan commuted every few weeks (between flying with students receiving training); drove to Michigan in August for Joyce's 45th class reunion and a visit with her brother and family; and in November Joyce returned to her job at the Okeechobee Correctional Institution teaching the transition course to inmates scheduled for

release. Their daughter Janet was married in February 2006 in Grenada. Joyce and Jan attended the wedding and joined the couple on a windjammer cruise afterward.

Joan Young is still very active with FACC (Florida Association of Community Colleges). She is Secretary of the FACC Chapter at PBCC and was elected Chair-Elect of the statewide FACC Retirees Commission last November. She also serves as Parliamentarian to the Board of Directors of Lakeside Village Condominium Association, where she resides. Joan competed in the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament once again this year in March. The guest speaker at the tournament this year was Ken Jennings of "Jeopardy!" fame, who unexpectedly decided to compete in the tournament as a first-time crossword competitor and won a first prize!

Our president, **Bill Wilson**, has been experiencing severe chest pains on and off for some time and has undergone several tests of different kinds, which have eliminated a number of potential causes such as a heart problem, a blood vessel problem, and an intestinal problem, but have not pinpointed the cause. Bill says that he is feeling better, although he gets tired easily. He is still teaching a couple of writing classes at PBCC. His new granddaughter, Phoenix Rose, was born to his daughter on September 11 – a preemie, but healthy.

Glenn and Nancy Marsteller will be running the big wooden roller coaster at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, this summer! They will live in their motorhome at one of the local camp grounds.

Bill Boorman went on a seven-week RV trip last summer to California and back, during which he attended his 50th high school reunion, where he "hooked up" with a widow, Margo, whom he dated in 1954! They've decided to get together and expect to spend much of the year in California and the rest in Florida. On March 22, they left for Madrid to spend some time with Margo's son and his family and will return in mid-April. They will stay here until Bill's daughter, Stacy, gives birth to her daughter, Bill's first grandchild, due late May. Then to Seattle, where Bill's son and his wife are also expecting a girl. Bill's airplane is up for sale, if anyone's interested. Bill says he will continue to check his e-mail at: wboorman@bellsouth.net.

Last summer **Mary Orsenigo** went on an Elderhostel trip to Washington, DC, which she says gave her an "excellent review of our history!"

Larry Tuttle writes that he is "still walking, reading, and playing golf to keep busy" in Palm Beach Gardens. His wife of 63 years, Ann, is under hospice care at the Pavilion Nursing Home in Jupiter.

Sunny Meyer is directing her 5th musical revue with the Wellington Seniors On-Stage Theatre Company, entitled "Sentimental Journey," which she conceived and staged. The performance will be at the Wellington Community Center, Tuesday, April 18, 2006, and is free

Sunny Meyer performing "Honey Bun" from South Pacific

to all. This year's revue takes a sentimental musical trip through the years, from the Gay Nineties to World War II.

Marty Hartman and Bev spent about two weeks last fall touring the mainland of Greece, then went on a 50-passenger schooner for about a week touring the Greek isles. They had a great time, enjoying all the Greek dishes and touring many archeological sites, especially Olympia, where the original Olympics were held. Marty underwent an angioplasty in February and had a stent installed when it was discovered that one of his major arteries was 80% blocked. He says he's feeling okay now, but has to take it easy for a while.

PLEASE SEND US NEWS ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE DOING.

MEETING IN MAY

We will meet again on **May 5** at 11:00 A.M. At this meeting we will be electing our officers for the 2006-2007 year. There will again be refreshments and a drawing for a $50.00 dinner certificate at Atlantis Country Club. Let's have a good turnout!

Elections will be held at the May meeting. Please consider running for office. We need leaders to keep this organization going. If you are interested in helping, call Bill Wilson.

DUES ARE DUE!

Active Membership $10.00

In Palm Beach County or within 100 miles of West Palm Beach

Associate Membership $5.00

Not in Palm Beach County or within 100 Miles of West Palm Beach

Honorary Membership $5.00

Spouse of a deceased or incapacitated member

Make checks payable to:
EMERITUS FACULTY ASSOCIATION, PBCC
and indicate type of membership.

Pay at May meeting or mail to EFA Treasurer:

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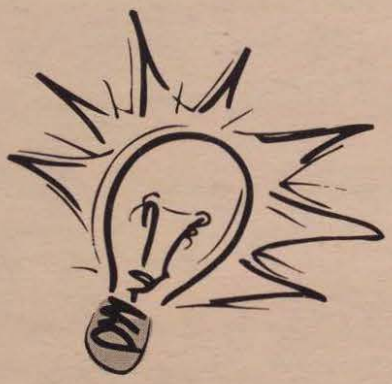
It's not too early to mark your calendars for our **Holiday Party at Atlantis Country Club, Friday, December 8, 2006, 11:00 AM.** The Holiday Party is a great opportunity to enjoy the company of friends and colleagues, have good food, and get some great gifts. We now hand out some door prizes in addition to the customary gift exchange.



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